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Sir:

Submitted herewith is the following application for a reissue patent:

Inventors: Shin ISHIBASHI ET AL.
Reissue of USP 5,596,663
Issued January 21, 1997

Title : FIBER OPTIC MODULE

The application includes:

- a specification pursuant to 37 CFR 1.71 and 1.173;
- a Declaration in accordance with 37 CFR 1.175;
- a drawing pursuant to 37 CFR 1.174(a) (18 sheets);
- Submission of Priority Claim in Accordance with the Requirements of 37 CFR 1.55;
- Assent of Assignee to Reissue in accordance with 37 CFR 1.172(a);
- Offer to Surrender the Original Patent pursuant to 37 CFR 1.178.
- Information Disclosure Statement + PTO Form 1449 + copy of one reference.

TOTAL FEE SUBMITTED \$2,364.00 -- Includes \$836.00 for 38 additional claims together with \$738.00 for 9 additional independent claims. (\$790 FILING FEE + \$836 + \$738 = \$2,364.00)

In view of the above, it is requested that this application be accorded a filing date pursuant to 37 CFR 1.53(b).

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Patentees: Shin ISHIBASHI ET AL.

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ASSENT OF
ASSIGNEE
TO REISSUE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.172(a) and 3.73(b), the undersigned, assignee of the entire interest in United States Patent No. 5,596,663, hereby assents to the above-identified reissue application.

Ownership of said Patent No. 5,596,663 is established by an Assignment recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on January 12, 1995 at Reel 7311, Frame 0748.

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SUBMISSION OF
PRIORITY CLAIM
IN ACCORDANCE
WITH THE
REQUIREMENTS
OF 37 CFR 1.55

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Sir:

It is respectfully submitted that this application be given the benefit of the foreign filing date under the provisions of 35 USC 119 of Japanese Application No. 06-086691 of April 25, 1994. A certified copy of this application is of record in Applicants' application Serial No. 08/372,078, filed January 12, 1995, and now issued as U.S. Patent 5,596,663, issued January 21, 1997.

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.178, Applicants hereby offer to surrender the original grant of the United States Letters Patent No. 5,596,663 issued January 21, 1997. Applicant notes that submission of the original grant of the United States Letters Patent, or an affidavit or declaration to the effect that the original is lost or inaccessible, may be deferred until allowable subject matter is indicated. Applicants note that either the original grant of the United States Letters Patent or an affidavit or declaration as lost or inaccessibility of the original grant must be filed before the reissue application can be allowed.

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